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Dear Bruce:

I'm sorry to have taken so long to answer your letter of October 14th. To come to a particular point, I would be very happy indeed to see a copy of your manuscript. I will look at It when I get a chance but I must ask you not to insist on waiting for an answer or my comments before sending it in for publication. I think you will have reached this wise conclusion independently.

I am delighted to hear about the progress of your building plans. But if it scheduled to open in February '62, you'd better count on something like December '63.

I am enclosing a copy of an advance abstract from Lou Baron which should interest you. We never have completed the experiment to see whether the fertility factor of pseudomonas could be transferred to coll and more than ever, this should now be done. But I think it might be asking a bit much to think of crossing between enteric bacteria and a pseudomonas.

With best regards to one and all,

Yours sincerely,

Joshua Lederberg Professor of Genetics

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